Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Thursday 20 Aug 2020 until 23:59 on Friday 21 Aug 2020

Forecast Issued on Thursday 20 Aug 2020 at 03:56 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for the changeable and often windy conditions. Medium for rainfall details.

Headline for Thursday 20 Aug 2020: Bright but windy. Summit gales at first.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 20 Aug 2020

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
Low Likelihood

Gales
High Likelihood

Severe chill effect
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms
Low Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
Medium Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light rain	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Light rain showers	Light rain showers	Light rain
Precipitation probability					
50%	<05%	10%	30%	30%	30%

Forecast for Thursday 20 Aug 2020

Weather: Heavy rain clears the far north around dawn. Then bright with some sunny spells. Scattered showers in the afternoon. However, it will be windy with gales over the summits in the morning. Showers likely to merge, giving a spell of more persistent rain across Skye and Knoydart in the evening with a risk of thunderstorms.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 80% during much of daylight hours, patchy cloud near or above the summits. However, 30% early and late in the day over Skye, Knoydart and Torridon, extensive cloud with bases 600 to 900m.

Visibility: Mostly very good or excellent, but moderate in rain or showers and occasionally poor or very poor over the summits.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	54/63 SE	42/51 S	34/44 S	34/45 S	33/42 SE	32/42 SE	37/47 SE
900	50/59 SE	37/47 S	32/42 S	33/43 S	30/40 SE	29/39 SE	33/44 SE
600	32/42 S	28/37 S	24/34 S	23/33 S	21/30 SE	20/29 SE	22/33 SE
300	11/46 SE	6/35 S	10/35 S	11/35 S	8/32 SE	6/30 SE	8/34 SE
Glen	17/38 SE	16/32 S	15/30 S	15/31 S	14/30 SE	13/29 SE	15/32 E

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	8/2	8/2	11/6	12/7	11/6	10/5	9/4
900	9/3	9/3	12/7	12/7	12/7	10/6	10/6
600	12/7	11/7	14/10	15/11	14/10	13/10	13/9
300	14/12	14/14	17/16	18/16	16/15	15/14	15/14
Glen	16/13	17/14	20/17	20/17	19/16	18/15	17/15
Freezing Level*	2200m	2200m	2400m	2500m	2600m	2700m	2700m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Summit winds 10 to 20mph higher at times over The Cuillin, mainly on Thursday morning.

Forecast for Friday 21 Aug 2020
Weather: Mostly cloudy with showers or longer outbreaks of rain, heavy at times with a risk of thunderstorms. Occasional drier and brighter spells.

Maximum wind: Southeast veering Southwest 20 to 30mph gusting 50mph.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 40%, extensive cloud bases 600 to 900m

Visibility: Moderate in rain or showers, occasionally poor or very poor at height. Otherwise very good.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 12 rising to 19 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 6 to 10 Celsius
Freezing level: Above the summits.

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